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Application of:

William O. Burke, III et al.

Filed:

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Title:



FLOOR MAT EXHIBITING REDUCED  
RIPPLING EFFECTS AND IMPROVED  
DELAMINATING CHARACTERISTICS OF  
ITS TUFTED PILE FIBERS

Group Art Unit: Unknown

Examiner: Unknown

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION  
FILING DATE GRANTED

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Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing parts of Application Filing Date Granted, dated August 21, 1998, attached is a copy of the Notice and properly executed Declaration for Patent Application. Please charge the \$130.00 fee and any deficiency thereof to Deposit Account 04-0500. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed. Also, a properly executed Assignment of this invention is enclosed. Please forward this document to the Assignment branch.

September 10, 1998

Respectfully requested,

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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION**  
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An Application Number and Filing Date have been assigned to this application. The items indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE within which to file all required items and pay fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). If any of items 1 or 3 through 5 are indicated as missing, the SURCHARGE set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of ☐ \$65.00 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, or ☐ \$130.00 for a non-small entity, must also be timely submitted in reply to this NOTICE to avoid abandonment.

If all required items on this form are filed within the period set above, the total amount owed by applicant as a  
☐ small entity (statement filed) ☐ non-small entity is \$ 130.

☐ 1. The statutory basic filing fee is:

- ☐ missing.  
☐ insufficient.

Applicant must submit \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).

☐ 2. Additional claim fees of \$ \_\_\_\_\_, including any multiple dependent claim fees, are required.

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- ☐ is missing or unexecuted.  
☐ does not cover the newly submitted items.  
☐ does not identify the application to which it applies.  
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An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date is required.

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☐ 8. The application does not comply with the Sequence Rules.

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☐ 9. OTHER:

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